

Bloomington United Soccer Club Play Time and Position Policy

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**Purpose:** Bloomington United is a competitive soccer club that supports the development of players in alignment with governing bodies such as US Soccer and Twin Cities Soccer League. Having guidelines for playing time ensures we are motivating players appropriately based on their age and setting clear expectations for players, coaches, and parents.

	U6-10	U11-12	U13+
Focus	Equal developmental opportunity for all	Balance of development and competition	Fully competitive environment
TCLS / Tournaments	No scores kept for games	Scores are kept for league and tournament games and there are team rankings + playoffs	
Play Time	Equal play time	Players play at least 50% of the game (some will play more)	Players will play each game, but no guaranteed amount of time
Starting Spots	Rotating starters	Earned starting spots	
Field Positions	Rotating positions	Mostly dedicated with some rotations	Dedicated positions
Guest Playing	Equal opportunity to guest play on other teams as needed	Selected based on skill level, position(s) needed, and compliance with the Player Code of Conduct	

Play Time Exceptions: There are several exceptions to our play time guidelines including:

- Players must stay in good standing according to the player conduct policy including regular attendance at practices and games
- Dedicated goalkeepers (in absence of other willing players in this position) may get more play time than other positions even at the youngest age levels

**Questions or concerns**: If you have any concerns about your child's playing time and/or position status, please contact the Director of Coaching.